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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual Self -Certification of Support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, the <u>ROCHESTER TELEPHONE COMPANY INC</u> hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company that it is eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

I, <u>Greta Lynch</u>, attest for the Study Area Codes listed below all federal high-cost support provided to <u>Rochester Telephone Company Inc</u> was used in the preceding calendar year (2016) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2018) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended."¹

<u>Company Name</u> Rochester Telephone Company Inc

Study Area Code 320815

Signed,

Greta Lynch, Vice President-Finance

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¹47 C.F.R. §54.314(b) ("Carriers not subject to State jurisdiction. An eligible telecommunications carrier not subject to the jurisdiction of a State that desires to receive support pursuant to the high-cost program must file an annual certification with the Administrator and the Commission stating that all federal high-cost support provided to such carrier was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. Support provided pursuant to the high-cost program shall only be provided to the extent that the carrier has filed the requisite certification pursuant to this section.").

